

REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on October 27, 2005. Currently, Claims 1-14 are pending in the application. Claims 1-14 have been examined and are rejected. Claims 1-14 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer in favor of a new set of claims. Applicant submits the new set of claims is directed to subject matter which is consonant with the rejected claims.

The Rejection of Claims 1-7 and 14 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-7 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 1-7 and 14 have been canceled in favor of Claims 15-37. Accordingly, the rejection should be withdrawn.

The Rejection of Claims 1-14 Under Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

Claims 1-14 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-14 of U.S. Patent No. 6,736,812.

Claims 1-14 have been canceled in favor of Claims 15-37. Accordingly, the rejection should be withdrawn.

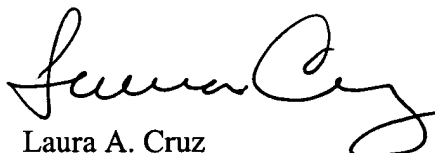
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CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that Claims 15-37 are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any further questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's attorney at the number provided below.

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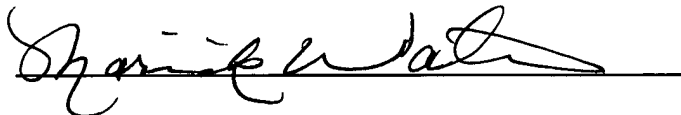


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